## **ROMANIZATION OF TAJIK**

## BGN/PCGN 1994 System

The BGN/PCGN system for Tajik was designed for use in romanizing names written in the Tajik Cyrillic alphabet. The Tajik Cyrillic alphabet contains six characters not present in the Russian alphabet:  $\mathbf{f}$ ,  $\bar{\mathbf{N}}$ ,  $\bar{\mathbf{y}}$ ,  $\bar{\mathbf{y}}$ , and  $\bar{\mathbf{y}}$ . An orthographic reform of the Tajik Cyrillic alphabet was implemented under the auspices of the Academy of Sciences of Tajikistan. This reform was promulgated in a decree of 3 September 1998 by the government of the Republic of Tajikistan. The reform abolished the characters  $\mathbf{u}$ ,  $\mathbf{u}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  (see notes 2 through 5).

		Tajik			Tajik Unicode	Romanization		Tajik			Tajik Unicode	Romanization	
1	Α	а	Α	а	0410; 0430	a	19	0	0	0	О	041E; 043E	o
2	Б	б	Б	б	0411; 0431	b	20	П	п	П	п	041F; 043F	р
3	В	В	В	в	0412; 0432	V	21	Р	р	Р	р	0420; 0440	r
4	Γ	г	Γ	г	0413; 0433	g	22	С	С	С	С	0421; 0441	s
5	F	F	F	F	0492; 0493	gh	23	Т	Т	Т	m	0422; 0442	t
6	Д	Д	Д	д	0414; 0434	d	24	У	У	У	у	0423; 0443	u
7	E	е	Ε	е	0415; 0435	е	25	ӯ	ÿ	Ϋ́	ν̄	04EE; 04EF	ŭ
8	Ë	ë	Ë	ë	0401; 0451	уо	26	Ф	ф	Φ	ф	0424; 0444	f
9	ж	ж	ж	ж	0416; 0436	zh	27	Х	х	Х	х	0425; 0445	kh
10	3	3	3	3	0417; 0437	Z	28	X	χ	X	X	04B2; 04B3	h
11	И	И	И	и	0418; 0438	i	29	Ч	Ч	Ч	Ч	0427; 0447	ch
12	Й	Й	Й	Й	04E2; 04E3	í	30	Ч	Ч	ų	4	04B6; 04B7	j
13	Й	й	Й	й	0419; 0439	У	31	Ш	Ш	Ш	ш	0428; 0448	sh
14	К	к	К	к	041A; 043A	k	32	Ъ	ъ	Ъ	ъ	042A; 044A	,
15	Қ	қ	Ķ	К	049A; 049B	q	33	Э	Э	Э	Э	042D; 044D	ė
16	Л	Л	Л	л	041B; 043B	I	34	Ю	ю	Ю	ю	042E; 044E	yu
17	M	М	М	М	041C; 043C	m	35	Я	Я	Я	Я	042F; 044F	ya
18	Н	Н	Н	н	041D; 043D	n							

## **NOTES**

- 1. The character sequences  $r\chi$ ,  $3\chi$ ,  $\kappa\chi$ , and  $c\chi$  may be romanized  $g \cdot h$ ,  $z \cdot h$ ,  $k \cdot h$ , and  $s \cdot h$  in order to differentiate those romanizations from the digraphs gh, zh, kh, and sh which are used to render the characters f,  $\kappa$ ,  $\chi$ , and  $\omega$ .
- 2. The obsolete character μ , abolished in 1998, should be romanized **s** (before a vowel and/or after a consonant within a word) or **ts** intervocalically.
- 3. The obsolete character  $\mu$ , replaced by  $\mu$  in 1998, should be romanized **sh**.
- 4. The obsolete character ь, abolished in 1998, should not be romanized.
- 5. The obsolete character ы, replaced by и in 1998, should be romanized i.
- 6. Unicode values are shown with the uppercase Cyrillic character first, followed by the lowercase character.
- 7. An inventory of letter-diacritic combinations, with their Unicode encoding, in addition to the unmodified letters of the basic Roman script is:

All apostrophes appearing in romanization are U+2019

Í (U+00CD)	í (U+00ED)				
Ŭ (U+016C)	й (U+016D)				
Ė (U+0116)	ė (U+0117)				

8. The Romanization column shows only lowercase forms but, when romanizing, uppercase and lowercase Roman letters as appropriate should be used.